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STATE FOR PM/WRA - STEPHANIE PICO
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TAGS MARR, MASS, PARM, PGOV, PREL, UG
SUBJECT: UGANDA MAY BE OPEN TO MANPADS STRATEGY
REF: STATE 156001
Classified By: PolOff Jarahn Hillsman for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).
¶1. (S/NF) Summary: Post has considered refetel Horn of Africa MANPADS Acquisition Engagement and Plan of Action Strategy for Uganda. Mechanisms
GOU Shares Counter-Proliferation Concerns
¶2. (S/NF) The GOU has demonstrated its willingness to work with the USG to combat terrorism and further East African security initiatives, par
GOU Committed to SA/LW DESTRUCTION; Open to U.S. Engagement
¶3. (S/NF) The GOU in 2007 worked with SaferAfrica, UNDP, the U.S., and other international partners to identify and destroy small arms and liq
Yemen Acquisition Possible
¶4. (S/NF) A Yemen-like acquisition plan could be reached with the GOU. The primary Ugandan counterpart would be the Ugandan People's Defense F
Timing And GOU Partners
¶5. (S/NF) The GOU has demonstrated political will to tighten arms proliferation, combat global terrorism, and push forward on East Africa peac
¶6. (S/NF) The primary GOU interlocutors would likely be the following:
--Ministry of Defense;
--Uganda People's Defense Force (UPDF);
--National Focal Point on Small Arms and Light Weapons;
--Parliament's Committee on Military and Internal Affairs; and
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--Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
Pitfalls OR Challenges to Strategy Implementation
¶7. (S/NF) The GOU's military sales relationship with North Korea might hinder engagement. For three years, the GOU has refused to allow us acc